FY 02 Lead Hazard Control Grantees

Detroit Housing Commission 1301 East Jefferson Avenue Detroit, Michigan 48207 Amount of Award: \$2,160,000

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The City of Detroit will receive \$2,160,000 to expand current lead hazard control activities in their most underserved, low-income neighborhoods. LeadSafe Detroit will promote community awareness, disseminate educational information and provide community-based education, training and job opportunities with lead abatement contract partners. CDBG funds will be a major catalyst to promote collaboration and leverage agreements with the private sector, non-profits and other local agencies. LeadSafe Detroit anticipates making some 160 housing units lead-safe. A significant portion of funding from this grant will be leveraged with resources from the Centers for Disease Control, the Michigan Department of Community Health and the Detroit Health Department to significantly increase the public messages to parents and caregivers about lead poisoning, prevention strategies and blood lead testing. The Program will continue to develop a working alliance with the State of Michigan Lead Hazard Control Program, the City of Detroit's CDBG rehabilitation and weatherization programs as well as the Detroit Health Department's Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program. The City and the Detroit Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) have partnered on an awareness raising campaign titled Help Eliminate Lead Poisoning (H.E.L.P.). The funds raised will augment the City's lead hazard control and prevention efforts.

DHC has committed \$250,000 to LeadSafe Detroit.